

DEAN ACHESON

Dear Mr. President,

How kind and imaginative of you to have designed and to have made me a recipient of such a delightful memento of those stirring and critical days in October. I am deeply grateful for it, and grateful, too — as I wrote to you earlier — for the opportunity you opened to me to take part in the campaign so wisely conceived & vigorously executed. In its execution you confounded de Toqueville's opinion that a democracy "cannot combine its measures with secrecy or await their consequences with patience."

Most respectfully yours,

Dean Acheson

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